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In re application of: Jinliang QIAO, et al.

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Examiner.:

For: FULLY VULCANIZED THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMER, PREPARATION
AND USE THEREOF

Attorney Docket No.: U 013868-3

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Deposit Account 12-0425 was charged \$54.00 for extra total claims over twenty (Fee Code 966) and \$280.00 for multiple dependent claims (Fee Code 968) on June 3, 2002.

However, no claim fee charge was authorized and according to 37 CFR 1.492(g), if additional fees are required they only must be paid prior to the expiration of the term period set for reply by the Office in any Notice of Fee deficiency, which has not issued.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)

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Date: June 18, 2002

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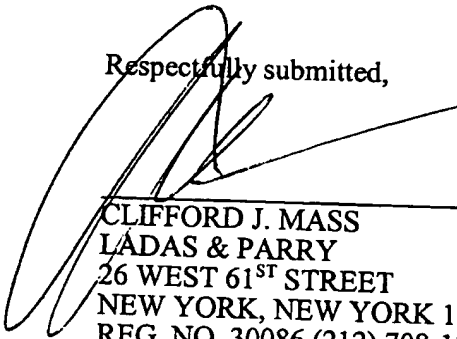
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In the meantime, a Preliminary Amendment cancelling the multiple dependent claims (copy attached) and adding new claim eighteen was filed on April 26, 2002.

Therefore, refund of the total charges of \$334.00 by credit to Deposit Account 12-0425 is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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